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Willard H. Schechinger, 78

July 30, 1921 - Oct. 13, 1999

COUNCIL BLUFFS - Willard Henry Schechinger was born July 30, 1921 in Panama to Nicholas and Kate Schechinger.

He married Lillian C. Galiher Sept. 11, 1942. Four children were born to this union. He had lived in Portsmouth before moving to Co. Bluffs 46 years ago. He attended St. Mary's School in Portsmouth. He was a machinist for 30 years for the Union Pacific Railroad, retiring in 1981. He was a member of St. Peter's Church, Co. Bluffs and the AFL Machinists Union No. 60. He was also a member of the Union Pacific Old Timers Club. He died at his home in Co. Bluffs at age 78 years, two months and 13 days.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Lillian; his four daughters, Eileen M. Galiher and Colleen J. Hood, both of Co. Bluffs, Dorothy J. Koch of Osakis, MN and Shirley Kay Gift of Omaha; 12 grandchildren; five great grandchildren and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Oct. 15, 1999, at St. Peter's Church in Co. Bluffs with Rev. Chuck Kottas officiating. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Co. Bluffs, with Jeff Hood, Dan Koch, Dan Overly, Mark Koch, Marcus Dryak and Jeff Williams casket bearers. Beem-Belford Funeral Home, Co. Bluffs in charge of arrangements.

